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In compliance with their duty to disclose under 37 CFR §1.56(a), Applicants and their attorneys herewith submit an attached Form PTO-1449, and request that the cited references be considered in the examination of the above-identified patent application. A fee for this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

A copy of a search report by the European Patent Office on a corresponding application is also enclosed. The references cited herein were cited in the European Search Report. One page English language abstracts are provided for the French and German language references. U.S. Patent No. 5,205,113 issued to Fassauer is cited in place of

International Publication No. WO/ 92/02123 of Fassauer which is cited in the European search report.

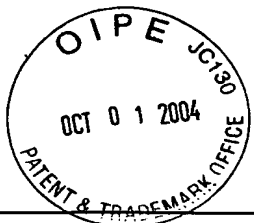
This application was filed after June 30, 2003. Thus, copies of the cited U.S. patents are not required to be provided herewith and are not provided herewith. Copies of the foreign documents are provided.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited documents and to make the same of record in the file of the present application.

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